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2. Under Local Development Works Programme—*cont.*

Name of place.	Number of tanks.
Pudunagar (Tirumangalam)	1
Virapandy	1
Andypatty	2
Kukkampatty	1
Kondamanayakanpatty	1
Azhagapuri	1
Usilampatti	1
Ambasamudram	1
Kochadai	1
Ramanathapuram (Reserve)	1
Police Colony	1
Veerattipattu	1
Kattiyargundu	1
Total ..	29

Clause (5).—Number of works proposed for 1960-61 :

	Overhead tank.	Well works.
Rural Water-Supply Scheme	19	84
Local Development Works	49	..

Clause (6).—The Government have approved the proposal to provide water-supply for the Srirangapuram village under the Rural Water-Supply Comprehensive Programme by taking over the existing tube well. The Collector of Madurai has reported that the work will be started as soon as the requisite contribution is forthcoming and that in the other places works are proposed to be started and completed during this year.

APPENDIX II.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 594 asked by Sri A. A. Rasheed and Sri S. Lazar at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 10th September 1960, on page 605 supra.]

The Government of India are responsible to arrange for the procurement and supply of nitrogenous fertilizers to the States under the Central Pool Scheme. Fertilizers are in short supply in the country at present, owing to the fact that the indigenous production is far less than the demand and imports to meet the deficit are limited by the foreign exchange position.

Against the requirements of this State for the first quarter of the current year (April to June 1960), the Government of India supplied only about 31 per cent of the demand in terms of Ammonium Sulphate. As the supply was inadequate to meet the

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demand, the matter was taken up with the Government of India at the departmental as well as ministerial level and the Government of India were pressed to make increased allotments. The Government of India subsequently made allotments amounting to about 40 per cent of the demand for the second quarter (July to September 1960). With a view to ensure equitable distribution of the limited allotments, despatch instructions are issued for the supply of the stocks to the various districts according to their phased needs.

As regards the additional requirements of Ammonium Sulphate for Package Programme in Thanjavur district, the Government of India were addressed to make a special allotment. A quantity of 3,200 tons of Ammonium Sulphate has been supplied for the Programme. The Government of India were pressed to allot the balance and they have recently allotted 4,250 tons in terms of Ammonium Sulphate and they have been addressed again to allot the quantity still to be supplied.

The Government have been making every effort to secure as much fertilizers as possible to meet the demand by pressing the Government of India from time to time. Recently also, at the Conference of State Ministers for Agriculture at New Delhi, the Union Minister for Food and Agriculture was appraised of the position in Madras State. The Union Minister assured that Government of India would spare no efforts to procure and supply the maximum possible quantity of Ammonium Sulphate to States for their agricultural production programme.

As regards Superphosphate, the Government of India allot the requirements of the States from the production expected from the manufacturers. The allotment to this State is being distributed by the manufacturers themselves to the consumers through their net work of agencies under informal control of the Government. The Director of Agriculture, Madras, watches the distribution of this fertiliser according to the monthwise targets fixed for each district with a view to ensure that stocks are moved to districts where there is a shorfall.

APPENDIX III.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 596 asked by Sri K. R. Viswanathan at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 10th September 1960, on page 609 supra.]

[SUBJECT.—*Number of Rural Water-supply Works sanctioned during* 1959-60 *and not yet completed in Udayarpalayam taluk in Tiruchirappalli district.*]

(*a*) Number of works sanctioned during 1959-60—

Well works—56.

Overhead tank works—4.